## PERSONAL USE FISHERIES

## Emergency Order

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME

Emergency Order No.: 1-C-XX-17 Issued at Juneau on December 20, 2017

Effective Date: December 31, 4:00 p.m. Expiration Date: June 30, 2018

unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

<u>EXPLANATION</u>: This emergency order closes the winter personal use fishery for red and blue king crab in Section 11-A for the 2017/18 season.

<u>REGULATORY TEXT</u>: 5 AAC 77.664 PERSONAL USE KING CRAB FISHERY (c)(1) is superseded by this emergency order to read:

5 AAC 77.664. PERSONAL USE KING CRAB FISHERY.

- (c) In the waters described in 5 AAC 33.200 as Section 11-A, in the personal use taking of king crab,
  - (1) the taking of red and blue king crab is closed for 2017/2018 fishing season and there is no closed season for golden king crab;

Sam Cotton Commissioner

By Delegation to:

Dave Harris Section 11-A RKC PU Manager

## **JUSTIFICATION**

Returned permits and email surveys indicate the 2,000 red and blue king crabs allocated to the winter portion of the 2017/2018 Section 11-A personal use king crab fishery will be harvested by the closure date.

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